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THEATRE ROYAL.

By Desire of the Right Honourable and Most Worshipful

LORD HADDO,
GRAND MASTER
Of the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of
FREE MASONS

TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, February 16. 1786.
Will be presented,

A Comedy, *(not acted here these several years)*, called,

EVERY MAN IN HIS HUMOUR.

Written by BEN JOHNSON.
With Alterations and Additions
By the late DAVID GARRICK, Esq;

Kitely, Mr WOODS;
Brainworm, Mr O'REILLY;
Master Stephen, Mr KIPPLING;
Edward Knowell, Mr ILIFF;
Knowell Senior, Mr Wilmot-Wells;—Master Matthew, Mr Charteris;—Downright, Mr Hallion;—Wellbred, Mr Michell;—Cash, Mr Bland, Jun.;—Justice Clement, Mr Bell;—Cob, Mr J. Bland; Roger Formal, Mr Le-Brun;
And Captain Bobadil, Mr LA-MASH.
——, Mrs WOODS;——Tib, Mrs CHARTERIS;
And Dame Kitely, Mrs WILMOT-WELLS.

With MASON SONGS between the Acts.

To which will be added, a Musical Entertainment, called,

THE QUAKER.

Steady, Mr HALLION;
Lubin, Mr Bland, Jun.;——Easy, Mr Charteris;
And Solomon, Mr O'RRILLY.
Floretta, Mrs Wilmot-Wells;——Cicely, Mrs Charteris;
And Gillian, Mrs KEMBLE.

This Day is published,

And Sold by G. ROBINSON, London, and WILLIAM CREECH and C. ELLIOT, Edinburgh,
NUMBER I. (Price 2s. 6d.)
OF THE

Commercial and Political Atlas;

Representing, by means of stained Copperplate Charts, the Exports, Imports, and general Trade of England, at a single view; so as at once to give a true and accurate idea of the amount and value of the whole, or of any particular branch of commerce, from the year 1700 to 1782.

Taken from the best Authorities,
BY WILLIAM PLAYFAIR,
Author of "Regulations for the Interest of Money."

Contents of this Number.

Plate I.—Chart of exports and imports of England to and from all parts, from the year 1700 to the year 1782.
Plate II.—Chart of trade between England and Ireland, from the year 1700 to 1780.
Plate III.—Chart of trade between England and Germany during the same period.
Plate IV.—Chart of trade to and from the West-India islands.
Plate V.—Chart of trade to North America for twelve years, beginning at 1770.

The first number of this work was published in folio in August 1785. Various reasons occasioned an alteration of the plan, and a delay in the execution. The first eight numbers will speedily be published upon this scale, and the price is afterwards to be advanced one fifth part; for as it suits not the views or the dispositions of the author to solicit a subscription, it is necessary to hold out a real advantage to those who encourage the work; but as the publication is attended with considerable expence, it is desirable to know whether that is likely to be repaid by the extent of the sale. Price of eight numbers, or one volume, twenty shillings, to be paid when the last number is delivered.

ASHES.

To be SOLD by AUCTION,

WITHIN the Warehouses of ALLAN, STEUART, and CO. Leith, upon Thursday the 16th of February, at eleven o'clock forenoon, A considerable Quantity of PEARL, POT, and WEED ASHES.

LEITH, JAN. 24. 1786.

Ironmongery and Hardware Goods.

FORREST AND BROWN,
Ironmongers and Hardware Dealers,
Successors to the deceased Mr ROBERT FORD,
At the GILDED COCK, second shop above Fortune's Close, North side of the High Street, Edinburgh,

WITH the greatest respect, beg leave to inform the friends and customers of the late Mr Ford in particular, and the public in general, that they have laid in a complete assortment of Ironmongery and Hardware Goods, (as kept by their late friend) among which articles the following are a few:

Joiners and carpenters tools of all sorts
Nails, sprigs, & tenter hooks of all sizes
Wood screw nails of all sizes
Best house bells, with complete mounting for ditto
Coffin mounting of all sorts
Carved & plain brass mounting for desks, drawers, cabinets, bookcases, &c.
Carved and plain mounting for clock cases
Clock hands, therms, & line
Shoemakers tools & utensils
Brass and iron locks of all sorts
Files and rasps of all kinds, for joiners, smiths, and founders
Brass and iron hinges of all sizes
Baked hair, girth web, and brass nails
Fish skin, fin tails, & rushes
Emery paper and sand ditto
Coarse and fine glass paper
Blue pots, borax, spelter, & emery
Scots and London made glue
Steel, coffee, or pepper mills, and ditto in wood boxes
Mathematical instruments, with or without cases
Ivory & boxwood foot rules, and gunter scales
Standing, bench, and hand vices
Measuring lines in leather boxes, and glazier's diamonds
Brass and iron knockers, and name plates for outer doors
Table and desert knives and forks of different sorts
Pen knives, scizars, & razors
Brass, wood, and leather castors
Brass cocks of all sizes, and ditto to lock with keys
Brass & boxwood sash pullies
Brass sash nobs, shutter rings, & sash screws, with keys
Spring snecks, with brass knobs, or folding handles
Brass & iron bolts, & thumb snecks
Best pit, frame, & cross cut saws
Fine Battel and Dantzic gun powder, shot, and flints
Powder flasks and shot bags of different sorts

Such as are pleased to favour them with their orders may depend upon being served on the most reasonable terms; and a proper discount will be allowed those who take quantities.

Commissions from the country will be carefully attended to.

N. B. All persons having any demands upon the late Mr Ford are requested to lodge notes of the same; and those indebted to him will please observe, That the debts are payable to Mr Forrest, at the above shop, and not to Mr Alexander Brown, wine merchant, the power of factory being withdrawn from him some time since.

BIBLICAL INTELLIGENCE.

This day is published, by C. ELLIOT,
In one volume 4to, price, 7 s. 6 d. in boards,

AN Ample PROSPECTUS of a New TRANSLATION of the HOLY BIBLE, from corrected texts of the originals, compared with the ancient versions, with various Readings, Explanatory Notes, and Critical Observations.

BY THE REV. ALEXANDER GEDDES, L. L. D.
And Correspondent Member of the
Edinburgh Society of Antiquaries.

Of C. ELLIOT *may be had, (just now published)*

SERMONS,

By the late Mr Gordon at Speymouth, Mr Spence at Orwell, Mr Walker of Edinburgh, and Mr Carr of the Episcopal Chapel, Edinburgh.

JUST ARRIVED FROM FRANCE,
In excellent order,
To be Sold at the Warehouse of WILLIAM KER and COMPANY, Leith,

A PARCEL of Walnuts and Chesnuts, the walnuts at 21 s. per bag, containing nearly three bushels; 9 d. per bushel; and either these or the chesnuts at 4 d. per lib.

French Apples, Russia Tongues, Hard Fish—as formerly.

STOCKING WAREHOUSE.

WILLIAM BEGBIE, HOSIER,
Second High Shop below the entry to the Exchange, EDINBURGH,

HAS now on hand a complete and fashionable Assortment of HOSIERY GOODS, consisting of a great variety of Black, White, and Coloured Silk Hose; Spun Silk, and Silk and Cotton Hose; Worsted, Thread, and Cotton Hose, of all kinds, which he proposes selling on the most reasonable terms.

In the above assortment, there are a good many dozens of China Silk Hose, which will be sold at the maker's price being 15 per cent. lower than the usual prices.

☞ Commissions from the country carefully answered.

British Linen Company Stock.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Tuesday the 28th February instant, between the hours of five and six afternoon, THREE HUNDRED POUNDS of STOCK in the BRITISH LINEN COMPANY.

For particulars, application may be made to James Bremner writer in Edinburgh.

TO LET,

THE House of SOUTH COATS,

belonging to the heirs of James Findlay of Waleford, lying a very little west of Whitehouse toll bar, upon the road leading to Coltbridge, within a quarter of an hour's walk of the Cross of Edinburgh, and easy access to the New Town. The house consists of a kitchen, parlour, a large closet, two cellars, a pantry and fixed safe, below stairs;—above, a dining-room, drawing-room, four bed-chambers, besides bed-closets and dressing-rooms. In the back court there is a complete set of offices, and a pipe of good water; a fine kitchen-garden, and the walls planted with trees; some plots of grass and shrubs. It is a dry healthful situation, and will be let with or without an inclosure of about 23 acres.

Also, an Inclosure of about sixteen acres, laid down in grass part of the farm of Murray's-hall, a little west of Colt Bridge.

For further particulars apply to Mr Guthrie junior, Argyle Square.

A Shop and House in George Street

TO LET.

TO be LET and entered to at Whitsunday next, or some weeks sooner, if required, a commodious SHOP on the south side of George Street, New Town, in the second land westward from Hanover Street.

Along with the Shop there will be let, a HOUSE, consisting either of three rooms or two rooms, as may be most convenient for the tenant.

For particulars, apply to John Home writer in Edinburgh.

To be SOLD, and entered to at Whitsunday next,

THAT DWELLING-HOUSE in St John's-street, being the southmost in the east row, with the coach-house, stable, and hay-loft thereto belonging.

The house is as substantial and convenient as any in the street. It may be seen on Saturdays, between the hours of one and two afternoon; and James Bremner writer in Edinburgh, will inform as to the price, &c.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

THE Creditors of JOHN M'ARTHUR writer in Edinburgh, are requested to lodge their claims and grounds of debt, with John Hay, accomptant in Edinburgh, the trustee, betwixt and the first day of March next, as a state of the debts and funds is to be then made out.

Third Notice—Second Term.

IN the process of ranking and sale, John Rait of Arniston, Esq; with concourse of his Majesty's Advocate, against William Gray, only son of the deceased John Gray of Baldegarno and his creditors, the Lord Hailes Ordinary thereto, by his interlocutor, of date the 1st February 1786, assigned the 23d day of the said month of February to the whole creditors to produce all their claims, rights, and diligences competent to them, against the bankrupt or his estate, and that for the *second term*; with certification as in a reduction and improbation. And appointed this notice thereof, so as the same may come to the knowledge of all concerned.

R. C. ROSS, Clerk.

Sale of Lands in Glenisla, Forfarshire.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the house of Robert Macintosh vintner in Millhaugh of Alyth, upon Tuesday the 28th of March 1786,

The Lands of BELLATY, described in the title-deeds thereof, the FIVE SIXTH PARTS of BELLATY, including WESTER NEEDS, lying of old within the barony of Glenisla, now of Lundy, parish of Glenisla, and shire of Forfar; the free yearly rent whereof is about 47 l. Sterling, besides thirty-eight poultry, mostly converted at 8 d. and some services and carriages.

These lands hold of a subject superior for payment of a trifling feu-duty, are situated in the most agreeable part of that Highland country, having a south exposure, and declining gently towards the river of Isla, and would afford excellent summer or sporting quarters, as there is an exclusive hill or out-pasture adjoining, and they are entitled to the privilege of shealing or summer pasture in the glen called the Finlate. The tenants houses, particularly the steading on the Mains, are in good order, and the tenants bound to uphold them. There are several acres of natural wood on the premisses called the Bush of Bellaty, almost ready for cutting, which will yield nearly a year's rent, and has been in use to be cut every twenty years.

Any person inclining to purchase may apply to John Ogilvy of Wester Leitfie, near Cupar Angus, the proprietor; William Ogilvy writer there, his son, who will show the title-deeds, and a plan of the grounds; or to Mr Thomas Rattray writer in Edinburgh. The tenants on the lands will point out the grounds and boundings.

TO BE SOLD,

THIRTY Puncheons fine old Jamaica RUM, lying at Greenock. Samples of the Rum to be seen at Robert Richardson's house, head of St John's-street who will inform as to further particulars.

He has also for sale, a few quarter casks good Madeira Wine, lying at Glasgow, to be sold very cheap.

PREMIUMS
FOR RAISING FLAX AND HEMP.

TRUSTEES-OFFICE, EDINBURGH, *February* 15. 1786.

THE Commissioners and Trustees for Fisheries, Manufactures, and Improvements in Scotland, do hereby offer the under-mentioned PREMIUMS, for promoting the cultivation of FLAX and HEMP in the year 1786. viz.

DISTRICT.

I. To be distributed in the counties of Ayr, Aberdeen, Banff, Dunbarton, Lanark, Renfrew, and Stirling, at the rate of Twenty Shillings for every Scotch statute acre, producing EIGHTEEN STONES avoirdupois weight, or upwards, of clean scutched Flax or Hemp, a sum not exceeding L. 300 0 0

II. To be distributed in like manner, in the counties of Berwick, Clackmannan, Edinburgh, Haddington, Kincardine, Kinross, Linlithgow, and Roxburgh, for every acre producing TWENTY STONES avoirdupois weight, or upwards, a sum not exceeding 350 0 0

III. To be distributed in like manner, in the counties of Fife, Forfar, and Perth, for every acre producing TWENTY-FIVE STONES avoirdupois weight, or upwards, a sum not exceeding 350 0 0

Providing always, that if more money shall be gained in any one, and less in any other of the above districts, than the sum allotted to each, the saving which shall arise from the one, will be applied proportionally in paying what is overgained by the other.

IV. To be distributed among the remaining fifteen counties, which hitherto have made little progress in Flax-raising, at the rate of twenty shillings for every acre, and so in proportion for every half acre, producing at the rate of FIFTEEN STONES avoirdupois weight, or upwards, per acre, a sum not exceeding 500 0 0

And to be apportioned to the respective counties in manner particularly after mentioned, being in conformity to the land-tax, paid by each, viz.—To the county of Argyle 63 l.—Bute 10 l.—Caithness 19 l.—Cromarty 7 l.—Dumfries 89—Elgin 34 l.—Inverness 46 l.—Kirkcudbright 55 l.—Nairn 8 l.—Orkney 24 l.—Peebles 34 l.—Ross 40 l.—Selkirk 29 l.—Sutherland 10 l.—and Wigton 32 l.

Total, L. 1500 0 0

And, in the event of more money being gained in some, and less in others of the said fifteen counties than the sum allotted to each, the saving which shall arise from any one or more of these counties, will be applied proportionally in paywhat may be overgained in any other of them.—And, if *all* the premiums gained by these fifteen counties shall be short of the 500 l. the saving, whatever it is, shall be applied proportionally in paying the sum (if any) that may happen to be gained in the three districts first above mentioned.

But in case it shall happen that more money is gained than the whole 1500 l. then no one of the four districts shall receive more than the particular sum allotted thereto; and, whatever reduction may thus become necessary, shall be made *equally per acre*, on an average of all the acres entitled to premium, in such district or districts respectively.

Besides the foregoing premiums, as there is a very general complaint throughout the country, of the Flax being wasted and destroyed at many of the mills, owing chiefly to the carelessness of the persons employed at them; therefore, the Trustees, in order to ascertain at what mills the business is conducted with proper attention, are to give *two shillings per acre, to every person who shall weigh his flax when rough, and before sending it to the mill*; the weight of the rough flax, as well as the produce when clean scutched, and the name of the mill and tacksman, all to be specified in the gainer's affidavit. *And the like additional premium will also be allowed to every person who shall dress his flax by the stock and hand*, if it appears from the affidavit that it was done in this manner.

Every person who shall sow Flax or Hemp seed, with a view to the foresaid Premiums, must send to this office, on or before the *first day of June next*, an intimation in the following form:

"I (the name and designation of the person to be here "inserted) do hereby advise, That I have sowed in the pre- "sent year 1786, pecks of Lintseed (or Hemp- "seed) upon acre rood and falls of ground, "Scotch measure, in the farm of and parish of "and shire of , the produce of which I shall after- "wards certify upon oath, if it amounts to the quantity re- "quired per acre."

(The subscription here.)

And on or before the *first day of October* 1787, every person who can claim the premium, must send to this office an affidavit in the following form, viz.

"At the day of One thousand se- "ven hundred and eighty years, in presence of "one of his Majesty's Justices of Peace for the "shire of , compeared (the person's name "and designation to be here inserted) and made oath, "that there were sown pecks of Lintseed (or Hemp- "seed) in spring 1786, upon acre rood and "falls of ground, in the farm of parish of "and shire of . That the produce thereof, in rough "Flax (or Hemp) was stones avoirdupois weight, "and in clean scutched Flax (or Hemp) fit for the heckle "stones avoirdupois weight, the same having been "scutched at the mill of , possessed by "(or by the stock and hand method)."

(The deponent to subscribe here)

(The Justice to subscribe here)

Where Flax or Hemp shall be purchased when growing, the affidavit of the purchaser will be received, in the same manner as that of the original proprietor.

☞ As much trouble has been occasioned to the Office, by the claimants omitting to mention the farm, parish, or shire, notice is hereby given, That every intimation or affidavit which does not mention these three distinctly, will be rejected. Every person must take care to be exact in ascertaining the measure of his ground, at the time of making his intimation.

The gainers of the Premiums will be paid as soon as possible, after the time limited for receiving their affidavits.

By Order of the Board,
ROBT. ARBUTHNOT Secretary.

N. B. By the act of Parliament 24th Geo. II. all Flax and Hemp, of the growth of Scotland, must be sold by the stone of 16 lib. avoirdupois weight, under the penalty of 5 l. Sterling.

☞ Copies of this advertisement may be had at the Office, when called for.

BRITISH STATE LOTTERY, 1785,

Began Drawing on Monday the 6th of February 1786.

THE TICKETS are sold, and divided into Halves, Quarters, Eighths, and Sixteenths, by

JAMES THOMSON AND SON,
INSURANCE BROKERS,

At their Licensed State Lottery Office, opposite the Cross, Edinburgh, and no where else in Scotland on their account. Correct numerical and register books are kept, and tickets and shares are registered at 6 d. each number.

Not Two Blanks to a Prize.

All shares sold at this office are stamped, and the Original Tickets lodged in the Stamp Office, agreeable to act of Parliament.

Money for the Prizes will be paid at this office as soon as drawn.—Letters, post paid, duly answered. Schemes gratis.

The List of the first day's drawing arrived here Friday morning. There will be a variety of Tickets and Shares kept up at this office, which will be warranted undrawn to the latest accounts.

DALKEITH DISTRICT.

THERE is to be a MEETING of the TRUSTEES for the Turnpike Roads within the District of Dalkeith, in John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Saturday first, the 18th current, at twelve o'clock mid-day, when it is requested the Trustees will attend.

To be LET, and entered to at Whitsunday,

A GENTEEL HOUSE in Prince's Street, with coach-house and stable.

For particulars, apply to Messf. Young and Trotter.

THAT upon Wednesday the 22d current, about eleven o'clock in the forenoon,

The whole Stores saved out of and

belonging to the Ship William and Samuel of London, lately wrecked upon the rocks near the harbour of Burntisland, are to be sold by public roup, at Burntisland, in parcels as purchasers may incline, for behoof of the Underwriters.

The articles of roup are to be seen in the hands of Andrew Hutchison, conjunct clerk, Burntisland; Captain Puller at Burntisland, will show the stores and an inventory of the same.

At a Meeting of the Creditors of ROBERT SCOTT, late in Skelf-hill, held at Hawick on the 25th day of January last, the Trustees resolved,

THAT it was for the interest of all concerned, that a final dividend of the bankrupt's funds should be made as soon as can be accomplished. But as Mrs Scott has lodged a claim to be ranked on the funds for an annuity of 25 l. per annum after her husband's death, that claim must first be settled; and, in order thereto, they proposed, with the approbation of the creditors present, to give her 70 l. Sterling, on condition that she discharged her claim; and if she does not chuse to accept of that sum, they propose, if the Creditors will allow them the same sum, to take Mrs Scott upon themselves, and to indemnify the Creditors at her hand. And they appointed their clerk to call a Meeting of the Creditors, to be held in the house of Michael Stephenson vintner in Hawick, on Wednesday the 29th day of March 1786, at twelve o'clock noon, to take this resolution, and Mrs Scott's answer, into consideration, as well as the proposal made by her trustees to relinquish her claim, on condition the Creditors [illegible]; and this notice is accordingly given by JA. WINTROPE, Clerk to the Trustees.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the house of Peter Lee, vintner in Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 1st day of March next, (instead of the 29th current, as formerly advertised) betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon,

The Right and Title which William

Dickson, late Distiller in Lasswade, had to certain Houses and Land that belonged to his brother John Dickson, lying in and about the village of Lasswade. To be set up in one or more lots, as purchasers shall incline.

For particulars apply to James Skinner, writer in Edinburgh.

SALE OF MOLLANCE,

Adjourned to Monday, March 6. 1786.

TO be SOLD, by public roup or auction, within the Old Exchange Coffee house, Edinburgh, on Monday the 6th March 1786, betwixt the hours of five and six in the afternoon,

The Lands and Estate of MOLLANCE, with the teinds, lying in the parish of Crossmichael, and stewartry of Kirkcudbright, comprehending the following lands, viz. Mains of Mollance and pendicles, Erne-Annexy, and Flat Moor of Moat Park, Chaplerne, Dubbydale, Halserne and pendicles, Upper Ironambry, Upper Clarebrand, Nether Clarebrand and pendicles, Garrington, Blackerne and pendicles, Little Dryburgh, Dunjarg, Meikle Dryburgh, Hillowtown and pendicles, and Chapmantown and pendicles, containing in whole above 2336 acres Scots statute measure: and the free rental whereof, after all legal deductions, is 1144 l. 17 s. 9½ d.

This estate is situated within twelve miles of Kirkcudbright, on the great military road to Ireland. The house is modern, large and commodious, and, with a complete set offices, is in the very best repair.—There is an excellent pigeon-cot, and fish-ponds well stocked with carp, tench, and perch, with salmon, trout, and perch fishing in the river Orr and lochs adjacent. The situation is fine, commanding very extensive prospects of the adjacent country, which is remarkably pleasant and well cultivated, and plenty of game in it. There is about 50 acres of wood in the policy, part of which is full grown, and part lately planted, and all in a most thriving condition, which, with the wood upon other parts of the estate, is estimated at above 500 l. Ster.

The fertility of these lands is too well known to need description, and they are occupied by a set of as wealthy, industrious, and intelligent tenants as any in that country; and the uncommon punctuality with which the rents are paid is the best proof of the lands being set at moderate rents. They are capable of great improvement, by means of shell-marl, of which there is great abundance within the lands and in the neighbourhood. Coal and lime are brought by water carriage, within four miles of the premisses, where also the produce of the lands may be exported. A lime quarry is also just opened in the neighbourhood.

The lands are all inclosed and subdivided, and the farmsteadings are all lately built, and in the best repair.

James Carter, overseer at Mollance, will show the premisses. For further particulars apply to James Stormonth, writer in Edinburgh, or to the proprietor at Blackwood, by Dumfries.

To any person wishing to form a considerable interest in that part of the country, this estate must be a desirable object, as it affords eight undoubted qualifications for electors of a member of Parliament.

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE, FEB. 11.

St James's, February 9.

THIS day being appointed for the celebration of the anniversary of the Queen's birth day, here was a very numerous and splendid appearance of the Nobility, Foreign Ministers, and other persons of distinction, to compliment their Majesties on the occasion. The guns in the Park and at the Tower were fired at one o'clock. There was a ball at Court in the evening, and illuminations, and other public demonstrations of joy, in London and Westminster.

Commissions signed by his Majesty for the Army in Ireland.

5th Regiment of dragoons, Captain John Stanley, of the 102d regiment of foot, to be Captain, vice James Watkin Wilbraham, who exchanges. Dated November 16, 1785.

13th Regiment of dragoons, Cornet Hugh Wentworth Sherston, from the half-pay of the late 20th regiment of light dragoons, to be Cornet, vice George Irvine, who exchanges. Dated December 24, 1785.

6th Foot, Lieutenant Archibald Christie to be Adjutant, vice Coleridge; by purchase. Dated as above.

10th Foot, Captain J. Charles Kerr, from the half-pay of the late 88th foot, to be Captain en Second, vice James O'Callaghan, who exchanges. Dated as above. Ralph Bates, Esq; late of the 109th regiment, to be Captain, vice William Dick, who exchanges. Dated October 19, 1785.

20th Foot, Ensign Ambrose Lilly Wynyard to be Adjutant, vice Walter Raleigh Gilbert. Dated December 24, 1785.

21st Foot, Eldest Lieutenant William Douglas to be Captain-Lieutenant, vice Edward Schlagel, deceased. Dated as above. Lieutenant William Cox to be Adjutant, vice Schlagel, deceased. Dated as above.

26th Foot, Eldest Ensign Richard Remington to be Lieutenant, vice John Fidy; by purchase. Dated as above. Mr Edward Cavendish Bolton to be Ensign, vice Remington. Dated as above.

45th Foot, Captain Lieutenant Henry Pemberton, from the 101st, to be Captain Lieutenant, vice Robert Crawford, who exchanges. Dated December 23, 1785.

46th Foot, Lieutenant John Dallas to be Adjutant, vice James Bland. Dated December 24, 1785. Lieutenant Thomas Brinley, from the late 76th foot, to be Lieutenant, vice George Ottley, who exchanges. Dated as above.

STAFF.

Captain Gustavus Nicholls, of the 1st battalion of the Royals, to be Town-Major of the garrison of Dublin, vice Hugh Parker, Esq; resigned. Dated as above.

LLOYD's LIST, *Feb.* 10.

THE Union, Smith, from London to Ostend, was run on board by a light collier yesterday morning in Blackwall Reach, and received so much damage she will be obliged to unload to repair.

The Nancy, Humphries, from South Carolina to London, was spoke with the 19th of November, by Captain Sheerman, bound to Philadelphia, in lat. 35. 30. lon. 66. 30. was leaky, and had thrown part of her cargo overboard.

The Warrior, M'Donough, from the Island St Johns, in the Gulph of St Lawrence, for Cadiz, was cast away the 28th Dec. last, at Merrygomish, in the Gulph of St Lawrence, and with her cargo totally lost, the crew saved.

The Fermuse, Niccol, from Newfoundland to Naples, was dismasted in a gale of wind, and wrecked on the coast of Portugal.

Captain Driscol, of the Mercury, belonging to Bristol, from Newfoundland, arrived at Leghorn, on the 28th of Dec. fell in with the St Anna St Christo, Burgess, from the Brazils to Lisbon, in great distress, with five feet water in her hold, took out the Captain and crew, being upwards of forty, and landed them at Leghorn.

Captain Bloomfield, of the Hope, arrived in the river, sailed from Lisbon the 22d ult. at which time the cargo of the Enterprize, Jackson, was landing; it was thought the greatest part would be saved.

The Harmony, Scott, from Dublin to Rotterdam, is totally lost on the Goodwin Sands; the people are saved.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

FRIDAY, *Feb.* 10.

READ a third time and passed the Newfoundland trade bill.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

FRIDAY, *Feb.* 10.

REPORT OF THE ARMY ESTIMATES.

MR *Luttrell* presented an estimate of the expences of the Office of Ordnance for land service, and also sea service, and of these unprovided for. Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr *Pitt* presented an estimate of the expences of the shipping in the dock yards, &c. Ordered those estimates to be printed.

Mr *Gilbert* reported the resolution of the Committee of Supply on the army estimates, which being read a first time,

Mr *Steele* reverted to the subject of discussion on Wednesday, observing that a noble Lord (North) had asserted the custom of the House to be, that the estimates should lie on the table eight days before they were voted, and that the day on which they were first submitted should not be included in that number. An honourable friend of his had fortunately shewn, that the custom was not quite unremitting, and he was now prepared with a number of precedents, to shew that the practice was directly the reverse of what was then represented.

Mr *Sheridan* spoke to order; observing, that the renovation of a subject, foreign to that under consideration, was perfectly irregular, and would require as much ingenuity to justify by precedent as the point to which the Honourable Gentleman directed his remarks.

Mr *Steele* insisted, that the present was a very proper occasion to explain fully the nature of these objections, which gentlemen had so confidently taken. Besides, as it was the custom of certain members to arraign his Right Hon. Friend of a contempt for the orders of the House, he esteemed it a very fair conduct to do away such impressions. He then recited a number of precedents from the years 1759, 1761, 1768, 1771, and 1774, in all which cases the supplies had been voted before the papers lay eight days on the table.

Mr *Sheridan* said, if a hundred instances of a deviation were adduced, it would make nothing against the general rule, especially as gentlemen did not attempt to say that this deviation was not occasioned by reasons of necessity, which did not by any means exist in the present instance, until it was proved that there was no necessity for these exceptions, the arguments against the present proceeding remain in full force. But at all events, it was no merit in the Minister that those exceptions existed in the journals; for at the time of their transgression they were not conscious of the precedent, or they certainly would have mentioned it. The probability was, that unable themselves to produce these instances, however inapplicable, they had recourse to the industry and experience of a gentleman (Mr Eden) whom he did not now see either on one side of the House or the other, though he made his appearance on the first day of the sessions; a gentleman who could make a distinction between his principles and his conduct; who could give his services to one side, and his good wishes to another; from him they were probably furnished with these arguments, which gave them a colour or foundation for their mistaken triumph. He had, however, the authority of custom in his favour, and he had also the Speaker himself at the head of his battle.

The *Speaker* recounted to the House the conduct which he had pursued in this business. When the day for taking the estimates into consideration was first mentioned, he stated to them what he conceived to be the practice. It remained, however, for the House to decide as they pleased, being always at liberty to alter their own proceedings.

Sir *George Yonge* bore testimony to the accuracy of this statement, disavowed any design whatever of infringing on the orders of the House, and imputed the business rather to accident and inattention than to any plan of either taking it out of its ordinary course, or preferring one day to another.

Mr *Courtenay* said, that the Minister and his friends were perfectly consistent with themselves in this business; for they began by doing the wrong; and then, and not before, they set about thinking how they might make it appear right. They first proposed that the thing should be done; and after it was done, they adduced the reasons that might be urged to make people do it. In this the present was an Irish Administration; this was like the case of the Irish Propositions, which were first voted, and then debated. He said he would not say any more on the subject, because an Honourable Friend had anticipated him, and he would not repeat in *coarse* and *clumsy* language what had been said much more eloquently by another; he had another reason for declining the repetition; a learned gentleman, (Mr Dundas) might be jealous of him for using *his* language; he remembered the case of *Dennis*, the critic, and would attend to it; this Dennis was famous for imitating thunder at the theatre; but he did it in awkward and clumsy manner; sitting one night at the play, he heard the awkward thunder that was made by some other person, when he instantly exclaimed, "By Heavens, that's *my* thunder."

Mr *Dundas* observed, that the Hon. Member, who was displeased with Government, because they moved to have the army estimates voted before it had lain long enough upon the table, ought to leave his wit upon it for some time, that others might, like the Hon. Member, come prepared with witty conceits to reply to it.

Mr *Courtenay* replied, that to oblige the learned Gentleman, he would leave his last observation on the table for eight days for the perusal of the learned Gentleman.

Mr *W. Grenville* said a few words to prove that the practice on which so much had been said, did not exist; and, in support of his opinion, he quoted a passage from a book, published by Mr Hatsell, head clerk of the House.

Here the conversation terminated, the [illegible] read a second time, and agreed to unanimously.

ORDNANCE ESTIMATES.

Mr *Luttrell* presented the Ordnance estimates, and moved that they should be taken into consideration on Monday se'ennight. Ordered.

Mr *Courtnay* rose also, and moved, that they might, with the Extraordinary estimates, be printed for the use of the members.

The *Chancellor of the Exchequer* rose, he said, to second that motion; and likewise to state to the House, that an inquisition into the state of the fortifications of the dock-yards of this country had been taken by a Board of General Officers, who were well qualified for making a proper report and estimate of the business. The expence of what was necessary to be done was stated in the paper which he had the honour to present to the House, and which now lay upon the table. The report itself, he did not, for his own part, think was proper to be laid before the public. But it was undoubtedly necessary that gentlemen should know to what extent it went. The sum stated in the report was 300,000 l. There was 50,000 l. of this, however, which had been voted the year before. The opposition then given to fortifying the dock-yards, prevented the application of the money at that time. It was consequently still in the Exchequer. Whatever opposition to the application now, he thought it would be made with most propriety in the Committee of Supply, where they might restrict the grant to 250,000 It had been entrusted to the Board which he had mentioned, to determine what sort of a defence was necessary, whether a naval or military was the most eligible; or whether it might not require a defence partaking in some degree of both. The expediency and expence of the system had also been submitted to their decision. They were unanimous in their opinion, that fortification was the only security we could have from the attacks of the enemy. And they had also preferred the system suggested by the Master-General of the Ordnance.

He did not chuse to anticipate any reasoning on the subject now; he reserved himself for the question when it should be debated in the Committee. He trusted, however, the opinion of so respectable a Board would have its weight; and he would only observe further at this time, that the question was undoubtedly a naval one, and that he should expect the support of all those gentlemen who were friends to the naval strength of this kingdom.

General *Burgoyne* thought the report of very great delicacy, and that it was of equal delicacy how to bring the House to a vote without the knowledge of particulars. He, for one, should not hesitate about the propriety of stating so much of the report to the House, as might enable them to judge how far they would be warranted in voting the money requisite for carrying the plans proposed into execution; and this, perhaps, some Gentlemen might deem the more indispensible, as it was by no means clear that the report of the Board carried the matter to the extent the Right Hon. Gentleman had stated.

Mr *Dempster* said, that in his opinion the consideration of this business would come with more propriety before the House when the Committee on the revenue had made their report. He should however be sorry to see the surplus of the revenue applied to the purposes of fortification, to the prejudice of the greatest of all objects, the diminution of the national debt and of the public burdens. The sum proposed to be voted was but a trifle to what these fortifications would cost, and every one knew that the real expence of all public works always exceeded the estimates.

Mr *Pitt* remarked, that the report of the Select Committee on the revenue had not the most distant connection with the fortification of our dock-yards; for if there should be no surplus it was necessary that they should be protected. If we were rich we ought not to squander the public money; but if even poor, it was in his opinion the more necessary to protect those objects which were of the greatest importance to the empire; it might be the means of avoiding future expences; and surely no man could deny that the dock-yards were of the greatest consequence to the existence of our navy.

Mr *Courtnay* still persisted in thinking, that the instructions and proceedings, as far as consistent with the public safety, of the Board of Officers, who had been appointed to examine and report their opinion on tha subject of the fortifications, ought to be laid before the House. For any thing he knew, some of the most important resolutions might have been carried by a majority of one, and that one might have been the Master General himself. He would, however, content himself, with moving, that a copy of the instructions given to the Master General and the other Officers, who constituted that Board, might be laid on the table.

Mr *Luttrel* could not sit and hear the Honourable Gentleman arraign the conduct of that Board, of which he had the honour to be a Member. He could assure him, that their majorities consisted not of one, two, or three, but of twenty to three, and therefore he was surprised that the Hon. Gentleman should assert with confidence what he could not possibly know any thing of.

This gave rise to a long conversation, in which the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Sheridan, Mr. Holdsworth, and Mr. Courtnay, were up frequently, but the question was got rid of by a motion for the order of the day, which was carried.

NAVY ESTIMATES.

The House then went into a Committee of Supply, Mr. Gilbert in the Chair, when Mr. Brett moved the following resolutions, which passed *nem. con.*

That 18,000 men, including marines, be employed for sea service for 1786.

That 4 l. per man per month be allowed for maintaining said men; including the ordnance for sea service.

Several read bills wrre ordered in.

Received and read a petition from Worcester against the shop-tax.—Ordered to lie on the table.

Ordered that there be laid before this house a list of Captains on half-pay, at 10 s. and 8 s. per diem

BIRTH-DAY INTELLIGENCE.

Yesterday, being appropriated to the celebration of her Majesty's birth-day, the same was observed at St James's with the usual solemnities. The morning was ushered in with the ringing of bells; and at noon the Park and Tower guns were fired. Their Majesties, the Princesses, and several of the younger branches of the family, arrived soon after. An elegant Court early assembled, to pay the usual marks of loyalty and affection. Among these were the Foreign Ministers, the Bishops, the great Officers of State, and a numerous meeting of the Nobility, and fashionable world.

The King was dressed in brown velvet, richly embroidered with gold and silver. His Majesty seemed highly cheerful

The Queen appeared in very good spirits, both at the drawing-room and in the evening. Her Majesty was dressed in a beautiful laurel-green sattin, trimmed with a rich embroidered crape, in coloured foils, &c. &c. which appeared to be executed in a stile truly superb and elegant.

The Prince of Wales was in a rich dress of silver, on a light ground, of a very curious manufacture. The seams were ornamented with an embroidery that appeared like thread lace, and gave a beautiful relief to the brilliancy of the suit.

The Princess Royal wore a white and gold tissue, richly ornamented *en forme de Bouffons*, with a fine embroidered crape.

The new introduction of cut steel and silver ornaments, had, by a reflecting light, all the brilliant effect of the finest jewellery, and being of British manufacture, discovers at once the taste and munificence of her Majesty.

The Princess Augusta wore likewise a white and gold tissue, of a small upright pattern. The petticoat was most elegantly decorated with steel brilliants and bands, highly finished, with other rich ornaments of oak leaves, &c. in fine embroidery.

The Marchioness Landsdown and Lady Anne Lindsay were perfectly genteel in whimsical French dresses.

The beautiful Countess of Sutherland was dressed in a rich white sattin, trimmed with peculiar taste and delicacy.

Mrs Pratt, whom we must look up to for refined taste and accomplishments, did not appear in the drawing-room till near three o'clock. Had the amiable bride been decorated by the Graces for the occasion, her triumph could not have been more complete, nor the fashion of her attire more generally admired. The train was of white sattin, ornamented with silver, and the petticoat of the same colour, was highly finished in beautiful wrought silver, in diadem points, sparkles, and jewels; at the bottom was a silver fringe, with a rich interspersion of the purest silver embroidery.

The Spanish Ambassadress was extremely elegant in celestial blue and gold, decorated with great taste and fancy.

Lady Sefton was very graceful in a French black velvet, It is astonishing that a country like ours, so profuse in personal beauty and perfections, should seem so poor in her manufactures, that she cannot even furnish her own fair offspring with a courtly robe!

Lady St Asaph was decorated in her usual stile of taste and magnificence, in a rich white sattin, covered with a fine gold embroidered crape.

The newly married Mrs Steele was very superbly dressed in a white figured sattin, richly ornamented with embroidered crape, gold tassels, and violet sattin ribbon.

Lady Elizabeth Chichester's dress consisted of a lilac sattin robe, with a white sattin petticoat; with crape lightly and elegantly sprigged with gold, and beautifully ornamented with bunches of wheat ears, and chains of gold with tassels.

Among others, we could not but observe the Marchioness of Buckingham, Mrs Hastings, and Mrs Watson, in gold chains and superb bouquets; and Lady Shuckburgh. Lady and Miss Gascoyn, Baroness Nolken, and Miss Dundas, *en Bleu du Roi*, most elegantly trimmed.

BALL.

In the evening the Ball-room was highly splendid, and exhibited a display of fine women, such as no Court in the universe can equal. The Prince made his appearance a little before nine o'clock, and conversed with several ladies, with all that grace and affability which marks his Highness's character; Lady Augusta Campbell in particular was honoured by his attention. Their Majesties and Princesses, preceded by Lord Salisbury, and attended with all the forms of State, entered soon after. The King and Queen separately addressed every Lady within the circle assigned to the dancers, during which period a prelude was played, composed by Mr Stanley, and some also of Mr Handel's music.

Upon their Majesties being seated, the ball was opened by the Prince of Wales, who danced the first two minutes with the Princess Royal and Princess Augusta. Lord Morton walked the two next with Lady Augusta Campbell and the Countess of Talbot. Minuets were also danced by Lady Parker, Lady Maria Finch, Lady Susannah Stewart, Lady Caroline Waldegrave, Lady Elizabeth Chichester, Hon. Miss Townshend, Miss Howe, Miss Grace Frankland, Miss Gunning, Miss Thynne, Miss Broughton, Miss Gideon and Miss Dundas; among the gentlemen who walked the minuets were Lord St Asaph, Lord Stopford, and the Hon. Mr Edgecombe.

On the conclusion of the minuets, six couple stood up to country dances, in the following order.

Prince of Wales,	Princess Royal.
Lord Morton,	Princess Augusta.
Mr Edwards,	Lady A. Campbell.
Lord St Asaph,	Hon. Miss Townshend.
Lord Stopford,	Hon. Miss Thynne.
Hon. Mr Edgecombe,	Hon. Miss Howe.

The ball terminated between twelve and one, after which their Majesties and the Princesses retired. The Prince remained some little time in conversation with the ladies, and on his withdrawing, the company began immediately to depart; but it was not till near three this morning that the Court was entirely cleared.

The most remarkable person at the ball, was the ambassador from Tripoli, attended by his page of honour and secretary; all of them were dressed in the habits of their country, and appeared much delighted and astonished at the crowd of beauties that surrounded them; nor were they less objects of wonder to our fair countrywomen, who beheld with admiration the venerable beard of this *great plenipo*.

Towards night, the streets in the neighbourhood of the Court were illuminated: St James's-street was chiefly to be distinguished; all the subscription houses were illuminated, but Weltje's in particular deserves attention. It displayed an expanse of various coloured lamps over the front, in the centre of which the diadem was formed, and on the sides C. R. appeared in lamps of a lesser size. All her Majesty's tradesmen, the Opera-house, Theatres, Mansion-house, and other public buildings, united in this proof of respect.

LONDON, *Feb.* 11.

If the civil words of Mr Pitt to Mr Garbett, as Chairman of the Commercial Committee of Birmingham, are to be taken for any thing more than mere civil words, they can be construed to mean nothing less, than Mr Pitt's admission of the necessity of aiding the manufactures of Birmingham by a bounty on the exportation of their iron-ware, as the means of enabling them to recover the trade of those countries, from which they were driven by new imposts on the importation of our manufacturers laid on those countries.—Would such a measure produce the desired effect? Will it answer any good end? To form any judgment of its propable effect, it is necessary to consider the views and intentions of the different sovereigns who have laid these new imposts.—Was the object of the Emperor an increase of his own revenue, or was it the embarrassment of the manufacturers of Great-Britain? indisputably the latter.—He resented the affront put upon him by the Elector of Hanover, on the King of Great-Britain; the petty principality of Hanover was unworthy the greatness of his resentment; but the great, wealthy, and active kingdom of Great Britain offered an ample field of retaliation. Against the subjects of the King of Great Britain he has directed all his anger and all his resentment; and punishes the act of the Elector of Hanover on the person of the King of Great Britain. Will bounties on the exportation from hence counter-balance the effects of imposts on importation into Flanders and Germany? Certainly not; for the Emperor will meet every new bounty with a new

impoſt: for not revenue, but reſentment is his object.

A tax on lodgers of a certain deſcription, it is generally thought, will employ a part of the Parliamentary attention this ſeſſion. The poor, however, are not to be the object of it; thoſe only who pay one, two, three, &c. guineas per week will have an opportunity given them to contribute their portion to the public purſe.

Baron Eyre, we hear, is to go Chancellor to Ireland; Mr Macdonald is to take his place on the Exchequer Bench; and Mr Scott has been offered the Solicitor-Generalſhip.

Wedneſday the Merchants had a meeting at the London Tavern, to conſider of ſome application to be made to the Poſt-Maſters-General, for two hours longer to be given them to anſwer their letters, and to have all the letters that arrive before twelve o'clock at the General Poſt-Office, to be delivered the ſame day, as they have found great inconveniencies by their letters being detained until next day.

The merchants experience ſuch inconveniency from the Poſt-office being ſhut at ſeven o'clock in the evening, that they are determined to uſe every means to have the office-hours altered, as they find it impoſſible to ſend their letters to the poſt at ſuch an early hour.

It was always foreſeen, by every intelligent perſon, that, however eligible ſome part of Mr Palmer's plan might be, it would be found impracticable with the diſpatch of buſineſs to continue the whole of it in force, as at preſent, notwithſtanding the ſpeed in travelling, the early hour of putting the letters into the poſt-office, and the not having them delivered out ſooner, rather cauſes delay, than gives aſſiſtance to trade.

Yeſterday the trial of thoſe perſons accuſed of a plot to blow up the King's Beuch Priſon, came on before Lord Mansfield at Weſtminſter. They were found *guilty*, and will be brought up the firſt day of next term, to receive judgment.

Wedneſday the Court of Directors met to take into conſideration Mr Brough's propoſal of furniſhing the India Company with eighty ſhips, at reduced freights, to China and all parts of India, by which 150,000 l. was to be ſaved to the Company in freights alone. The Court, after ſitting near ſix hours, reſolved unanimouſly, that the ſhips propoſed to be built by Mr Brough would not have ſufficient tonnage for the ſervice of the Eaſt India Company.

The queſtion between the Eaſt India Company, and theſe officers who claim the payment of an allowance in India called *batta*, will certainly be brought forward immediately, to receive a legal diſcuſſion. The ſum claimed amounts to 175,000 l.

The amount of the account of the nett produce of all the Taxes, from the 5th day of January 1784, to 5th January 1785, is - - - L. 10,856,996 16 1¼

From 5th January 1785, to 5th January 1786, is - 12,499,916 18 7½

The amount of the Public Debts on the 5th of January 1786, with the Annual Intereſt, and other charges payable thereon is

Principal, - - 239,154,879 11 4
Intereſt, - - - 9,266,940 7 2

Yeſterday, at Guildhall, No. 47,998 was drawn a prize of 5000 l. each,
No. 18,080, 31,037, 31,910, 18,800, prizes of 100 l.
And the following prizes of 50 l. each:
No. 10,997, 11,308, 28,703, 6276, 48,709, 15,592, 40,962, 32,803, 41,595.

This day, at Guildhall, No. 1282, 3047, were drawn prizes of 2000 l.
No. 2354, a prize of 1000 l.
No. 20,515, a prize of 500 l.
No. 38,676, 11,659, prizes of 100 l. each,
And the following prizes of 50 l. each:
No. 9498, 31,818, 27,863, 12,529, 44,743, 19,281, 4317, 3022.

PRICE of STOCKS, Feb. 11.

Bank Stock, 139½.	3 per cent. Old. Ann. —
3 per cent. Ann. 104⅛ a ⅜ a ½.	Ditto New Ann. —
	Ditto 1751, —
4 per cent. Ann. 1777, 88⅝ a ¾.	India Stock, —
	3 per cent. Ann. —
3 per cent. con. 69⅛ a ⅜.	India Bonds paid, —
3 per cent. red. 69⅞ a ¾.	Ditto unpaid, 48 prem.
3 per cent. 1726, ſhut.	Navy Bills, —
Long Ann. 20 11-16ths.	Exch. Bills, 15 prem.
Ditto 1778, 13⅞ a 3-16ths.	Lottery Tickets, 15 l. 9 s. a 10 s.
South Sea Stock, —	

WIND AT DEAL, Feb. 9. N. W.

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, Feb. 11.

"The different parties that take the lead in the buſineſs of the Houſe of Commons, unable to keep off coming to blows any longer, have at length begun their parliamentary campaign, though nothing more than a little ſkirmiſhing has yet been ſeen. No regular-pitched battle will be fought till Mr Pitt brings forward his ſpecific motion reſpecting the reduction of the national debt, and the ſecurity of the public funds. The forces on each ſide will then be muſtered up rank and file, and their ſtrength ſeriouſly tried.

"Little or no proſpect appears of any progreſs being made, either in adjuſting the treaty with France, or renewing that with Ruſſia, which Mr Fox, on the opening of Parliament, ſpoke of as contributing ſo highly to the intereſt and proſperity of this country.

"Notwithſtanding the boaſted improvement made in the mode of conveying the mails by the plan of Mr Palmer, there is no doubt of the hours being altered for putting letters into the Poſt-office in London, from ſeven o'clock in the evening, till ten at night; and it is not improbable, but that the whole of the new arrangement will be entirely laid aſide. At any rate, the hour for receiving letters at the Poſt-office and receiving houſes, every evening, will be different, at leaſt by two hours, than it is at preſent."

Died here on Saturday laſt, Miſs Margaret Watſon, third daughter of the late Dr Watſon, Principal of the United College of St Andrews.

Mr David Bennet, Principal Clerk of the Poſt-Office, died here laſt night.

On Monday laſt, the election of an Annual Preſident took place in the Phyſico-Chirurgical Society, when the ſuffrages of the members were decided in favours of Mr Samuel Wilſon of Charleſtown, South Carolina.

The Mariſchall Univerſity of Aberdeen has been pleaſed to confer the degree of Doctor of Laws on Mr Walter Minto, author of Reſearches into ſome parts of the Theory of the Planets, and other Mamatical Tracts.

We hear the day of electing a member for Aberdeenſhire is fixed for Tueſday the 28th of this month.

The appeal from the Court of Seſſion, William Tod and Company, of London, merchants, againſt Margaret Young and others, came on on Wedneſday before the Houſe of Lords, and after hearing counſel, was adjourned to Friday, when the apellants prayed leave to withdraw the appeal, and conſented to pay coſts. Ordered accordingly.

The different ſupplies were voted in the Iriſh Houſe of Commons on the 6th inſtant, without a diviſion, and the military eſtabliſhment of that kingdom was voted to be 15,092 effective men. Ten thouſand pounds were alſo voted for the encouragement of the fiſheries in that kingdom.

Shop Tax.

Yeſterday, agreeable to advertiſements in the public papers, there was a meeting held in the New Church Ayle, of the Shopkeers of this city, Canongate, and Leith, Mr Thomas Trotter in the Chair, in order to conſider of the proper mode to be followed in obtaining a repeal of the ſhop-tax act. A petition had previouſly been prepared by the Committee appointed by laſt general meeting, which being read and approved of, Mr Elphinſtone Balfour bookſeller, ſuggeſted the neceſſity of the meeting applying to ſome member of Parliament to preſent their petition in the Houſe of Commons.—Mr Balfour agreed, that the perſon that would naturally occur for that purpoſe was, no doubt, Sir Adam Fergnſon, the worthy repreſentative for this city, on whoſe public and private virtues Mr Balfour diſcanted at ſome length. He however obſerved, that when Sir Adam was waited upon by the Committee, though he very politely offered to preſent their petition; yet he, at the ſame time, with his uſual candour, declared he could not give it his ſupport in the Houſe. In theſe circumſtances, Mr Balfour thought it would be paying no compliment to Sir Adam, to tranſmit the petition to him; while, on the other hand, their doing ſo might be conſidered as a very faint attempt indeed of getting relief from the grievance of which they all complained. He would therefore move, that application ſhould be made to William Adam, Eſq; repreſentative for the burghs of Kintore, &c. who, he was perſuaded, would not only accept of the office, but likewiſe give the petition his warmeſt ſupport in the Houſe of Commons. This motion having met with the general approbation of the meeting, a number of thoſe preſent immediately ſigned the petition, and it is to be ſent round among the ſhopkeepers who did not attend, for their ſignatures.

General Chamber of Commerce.

This day there was a very numerous and reſpectable meeting of the Members of the General Chamber of Merchants and Manufacturers in Scotland, held here in the New Church Ayle, called for the purpoſe of electing a Secretary, the Right Hon. James Hunter Blair, Lord Provoſt, in the Chair.

The *Lord Provoſt*, before opening the buſineſs of the meeting, begged to ſpeak for a little with the Directors in another room. They having accordingly withdrawn, returned in a few minutes, when his Lordſhip acquainted the meeting, that the Directors not having as yet agreed upon a perſon for Secretary, they begged leave to propoſe, that Mr James Morriſon jun. who had been ſo obliging as to officiate in the mean time, along with Mr William Creech, ſhould be elected as joint Secretaries for a year. This was unanimouſly agreed to.

His Lordſhip then read a letter he had received from the tutors of Miſs Scott, proprietor of the Iſle of May, in conſequence of a complaint being made in the newſpapers, that the lights kept on that iſland had not been properly attended to, by which means ſeveral veſſels had been loſt. The letter ſaid, that no complaints had beeu made to the tutors on that head, and that they were willing to do every thing in their power to have the lights and light-houſe put on the beſt footing.

Mr *Caſſils* ſaid, that the ſubject before them was of the utmoſt importance to the trade of this part of Scotland—That repeated complaints had been made by the maſters of many trading veſſels, of the Iſle of May being very ill lighted; that the ſailors on board had made offer to delare this before a Magiſtrate; and that, in particular, they often got ſight of the iſland before they could ſee the lights. Nor was this complaint confined to the maſters of trading veſſels only; the Captain of the Race-Horſe cutter had made the ſame complaint to the Admiralty; for proof of which he produced Mr Stephens letter, in anſwer to one from Captain Wilſon on that ſubject. Mr Caſſels ſaid, the Members of the Trinity Houſe, Leith, had had frequent meetings on this buſineſs; that they had refuſed paying the dues till this complaint was redreſſed; that they wiſhed Govenment, or the Trinity Houſe, London, would take the lights of May into their own hands, as, in all probability, they would then be kept in better order. They had a view of petitioning the Houſe of Commons for that purpoſe.

The Lord Provoſt obſerved, that it would be improper to petition the Houſe of Commens on that head, before application was made to Miſs Scott's truſtees, who, from their letter, ſeemed diſpoſed to grant any reaſonable redreſs. He would therefore propoſe, that a Committee of the Trinity Houſe, Leith, and a Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, ſhould examine into this fact, and wait upon Miſs Scott's truſtees. This was unanimouſly agreee to.

Mr *David Stenart* then moved, that to give efficacy, as well as ſtability to the Chamber, a Royal Charter ſhould be applied for. He obſerved, that without this is obtained, buſineſs could ſcarce be carried on at all, or at leaſt to very little effect, as the Chamber would not have a name known in law, ſo that every application which might be deemed for the general beneſit of the country, behoved to be ſigned by every member individually. On the other hand, were the Charter once obtained, and he could not entertain a doubt that any Miniſtry, particularly the preſent, who had diſcovered ſo much attention to the trading intereſt of the country, would refuſe it, buſineſs would be carried on in a regular manner, and no other ſignature would be neceſſary but that of their Secretary. Mr Steuart had the leſs reaſon to ſuppoſe any obſtacle would ſtand in the way of ſuch an application, from the readineſs with which the Chamber of Commerce of Glaſgow obtained their charter. Indeed, Mr Steuart obſerved, when it was conſidered, that no application could be made to Government, but what was previouſly and deliberately determined upon by a Chairman and thirty Directors, compoſed of different deſcriptions of merchants and manufacturers, and afterwards canvaſſed by the Chumber at large, it was impoſſible for any improper demand to be made from that quarter. This motion was alſo unanimouſly approved of.

Mr *Steuart* then moved, that Mr Suttie, Solicitor at law, ſhould be empowered to manage this buſineſs in London, which was likewiſe agreed to.

The cotton manufactory in this country bids fair for ſucceſs.—The Stanley Company near Perth, lately erected, has already produced a ſpecimen of yarn equal in quality to the beſt of Mr Arkwright's, who is concerned in that mill, and under whoſe tuition the workmen have received their education.

It is to be lamented, that, notwithſtanding of the many charitable foundations we have in this city, the ſtreets, and, in particular, *the Bridge*, ſhould be ſo much infeſted with beggars; eſpecially as we have, at this time, ſo many active and patriotic magiſtrates, whoſe duty it is to relieve the inhabitants, from ſuch a nuiſance.

Extract of a letter from Dumfries, Feb. 14.

"The weather for ſome time by paſt has been very ſtormy in this place. On Sunday, during divine ſervice in the forenoon, two of the windows of the New Church were blown out by the violence of the wind, but happily no perſon was hurt."

Extract of a letter from Whitehaven, Feb. 8.

"On the 4th inſt. the Langton, Capt. Fawcett and the Reſolution, Capt. Leiſter, ſailed from Maryport, both ſtout veſſels, coal laden. When the night came on they loſt ſight of each other, but afterwards fell in with each other, about ſix leagues to the weſtward of St Bees Heads. It then blew very hard, the ſea ran high, and the night was thick and dark. The veſſels going upon different tacks, at the rate of ſix knots, ſtruck each other on the bows, and the Langton was thrown back by the violence of the ſhock:—After being able to wear round, they hailed the other veſſel, who anſwered, "*The Reſolution, and they believed the ſhip was ſinking.*" The people (eleven in number) on board her were all got ſafe on board the Langton, but the Reſolution was ſeen no more. The Langton came into this port a few hours after, and has ſuffered conſiderable damage. The boat ſo ſoon falling in with the Langton may be conſidered as a very providential deliverance, as ſhe was a very ſmall veſſel for ſuch a number of people, and the ſea ſtill continued to run high."

Extract of a letter from Dantzick, Dec. 28.

"Things are much in the ſame ſituation as when I laſt wrote you. The inſurrection of the negroes is not yet quelled. The chief of the runaway negroes is named Barra, a native of Guiney, and a prince in his own country, who was brought to this iſland twenty years ago, and immediately on being landed made his eſcape, and could never afterwards be caught. He has been exceedingly zealous and active in ſeducing his brethren to join him, and aſſert their liberty."

By order of the Governor and Directors of the Muſical Society.

Such Gentlemen as are deſirous of being admitted to the Concert during the remaining weeks of this ſeſſion, will pleaſe give in their names at Mr Sanderſon's ſhop, before one o'clock each Friday, when the Governor and Directors are to meet for the purpoſe of giving admiſſion tickets to gentlemen.

Ticket No. 5473, a prize of *Five Thouſand Pounds*, the ſecond day's drawing—No. 3047, a prize of *Two Thouſand Pounds*, the ſixth day's drawing—No. 2354, a prize of *One Thouſand Pounds*, the ſixth day's drawing—and, No. 31,463 *One Thouſand Pounds*, as firſt-drawn the fourth day, were ſold by *Meſſrs Richardſon and Goodlock*, London. On their account *undrawn tickets and ſhares*, during the drawing, continue to be ſold and regiſtered by WHITE and MITCHEL, licenſed, oppoſite to the Tron Church, Edinburgh, *and no where elſe in Scotland on their account*. The prices will be regulated by the prizes undrawn. Correct Numerical and Regiſter Books kept. Letters (poſt paid) duly anſwered.

PIECES came to hand too late for this night's publication.

ARRIVED AT LEITH, Feb 14. Neptune, Dawſon, from Alloa, with tiles and bricks; Francis, Duncan, from Alloa, with bricks; Jean, Barr, from Carron, with grain.—15. Betſey, Millar, from London, with goods; Ellock, Clark, from Newcaſtle, with ditto; and four ſloops with coals.

SAILED, Friendſhip, Campbell, for London, with goods; Livingſton, Gordon, for London, with ditto; Suſan, Clark, for Almouth, with ditto; Active, Jameſon, for Aberdeen, with ditto.

ARRIVED AT GREENOCK.—Feb. 8. Curtis, Theron, from Bremen, in ballaſt.—12. London, Johnſton, from Liverpool, in ditto; Induſtry, Ferguſon, from Dublin, with goods.

SAILED,—Feb. 8. Henry Auguſta, Scott, on a cruize.—9. Jean, Maclean, for Dublin, with goods.

CARRIAGE FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD by private bargain, a faſhionable COACH, very little worſe than new, with Harneſs for a pair of horſes.

Apply to Alexander Crichton, coachmaker.

ST CECILIA HALL.

SIGNOR STABILINI's CONCERT is fixed for Tueſday the 21ſt curt.

Tickets (price three ſhillings each) to be had at Mr Stabilini's houſe, Bridge Street, and at all the muſic ſhops.

The plan of the Concert will be given in a future advertiſment.

To begin half paſt Six o'Clock.

AT LONDON—FOR LEITH,
THE DILIGENCE,
PHILIP BUTLER Maſter,

Now lying on the birth in Hawley's Wharf, taking in goods for Leith, and will ſail on the 20th inſtant.

AT LONDON—FOR LEITH,
THE DIANA,
A New Ship built for the trade,
JAMES RITCHIE Maſter,

NOW lying at Hoare's Wharf, taking in goods for Leith, and all places adjacent in the Frith of Forth, deliverable at Leith, will ſail the 20th February.

AT LONDON—FOR LEITH,
The Lady Hannah,
CHA. HENRY KERR Maſter,

Now taking in goods at Millar's Wharf, near the foot of Bur Street, and will ſail the 25th of February 1786, to be depended on.

This ſhip has excellent accommodation for paſſengers.

The Maſter to be ſpoke with on the Scots Walk, Royal Exchange, or at the Edinburgh Coffeehouſe, morning and evening on board; or Walter Millar for the Maſter, at the Wharf.

For NEW-YORK,
THE SAMUEL,
WILLIAM JAMIESON Maſter,

Now lying at Greenock, ready to receive goods on board, and will be clear to ſail about the 1ſt March.

The Samuel is a very fine veſſel, and well calculated for paſſengers; has a Britiſh regiſter, and a Mediterranean paſs.

For freight or paſſage, apply to John Burnſide and Company, Glaſgow, John or Holmes and Company, Greenock.

FOR PHILADELPHIA,
THE SHIP
ALEXANDER,
ALEXANDER RITCHIE Maſter,

She is a good veſſel, ſails faſt, has a new Mediterranean paſs, and excellent accommodations for paſſengers; is expected to be ready to take in goods at Greenock by the 20th of March, and will be clear to ſail by the 10th of April.

For freight or paſſage apply to Meſſ. Allan and Steuart, Edinburgh, Mr William Donald merchant, Glaſgow, or John Stuart, Greenock.

FOR QUEBEC AND MONTREAL,
THE SHIP OCEAN,
WILLIAM KINNEAR Maſter,

Now ready to receive goods at Greenock, and will poſitively ſail firſt fair wind, after the 20th of March.

For freight or paſſage, apply to Hamilton, Garden, and Company, Greenock, or to James Buchanan, Glaſgow.

The Ocean is a large ſhip, and will be particularly fitted for the accommodation of paſſengers.

FOR SALE by public roup, within the houſe of James Tod, vintner in Kincardine, upon Wedneſday the 1ſt day of March next,

The SLOOP
Elizabeth of Kincardine,

80 tons burden, with her ſkiff boat, &c. as ſhe preſently lies at that place.

The Elizabeth ſails remarkably faſt, is only four years old, was built at Kincardine, and is properly conſtructed either for foreign or coaſting trade. She draws but a ſmall charge of water, is excellently found in ſails and materials, and would anſwer very well for a herring buſs.

The veſſel may be ſeen by applying to Thomas Jameſon at Kincardine the owner, at any time betwixt and the day of ſale.

The veſſel lies ready for ſea, and perſons inclining a private bargain may apply to the ſaid Thomas Jameſon.

FOR SALE BY PRIVATE CONTRACT,
On the Stocks at Berwick-upon-Tweed,

The Hull of a New Smack
or Sloop, ſquare ſtern, built of well-ſeaſoned Engliſh timber and plank of a large ſcantling; will meaſure 85 tons or thereabouts, bounty meaſure, and will carry 100 tons dead weight, at 9 feet water, and is expected to ſail faſt. She is well calculated for dry harbours, being extraordinary bolted, and otherwiſe well fitted out with iron work. She is, in fact, as complete, a handſome, and ſtrong built veſſel as is to be met with any where of her ſize.

For particulars apply to Arthur Byram, ſhipbuilder at Berwick, aforeſaid.

N. B. A purchaſer may be accommodated with maſt, boom, boltſprit, cordage, &c. on reaſonable terms here.

BERWICK, Feb. 6. 1786.

JUDICIAL SALE OF
Lands in the County of Argyle.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Parliament or New Seſſion Houſe in Edinburgh, upon the 24th day of February 1786, betwixt the hours of five and ſeven in the afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on the Bills, the following SUBJECTS, belonging to NEILL M'KELLAR of Daill, viz.

The three-merk land of Stroneſkar, the four and one half merk land of Glaſvar, and the right of mid ſuperiority of the five merk lands of Barmulloch, the twenty-ſix ſhilling eight-penny land of Letternamolt, the three merk land of Succothmodden, and of the ſhealing called Arilochthennoch, in Benleaive, all lying in the pariſh of Kilmichael, in Glaſſrie. The whole lands hold of ſubjects ſuperior. The free yearly rent is proved to be 235 l. 4 s. 1 d. Sterling; and the upſet price, which is fixed at twenty-three years purchaſe of that rent, amounts to 5401 l. 13 s. 11 d. Sterling.

The lands are commodiouſly ſituated in the diviſion of Argyle, and capable of great improvement. There is a ſmall manſion-houſe, and an excellent ſteading of offices, on the lands of Stroneſkar.

The articles of roup are to be ſeen in the office of Mr John Callander, depute-clerk of Seſſion; and copies thereof, and of the ſchemes of the rental and value, are to be ſeen in the hands of Allan Macdougal, writer to the ſignet, agent in the ſale, who will inform as to other particulars.

A COUNTRY HOUSE.

TO LET Furnished, and entered to at Whitsunday first, the House, Office houses, and Garden of REDHALL, with 30 acres of ground completely laid down. Redhall is three miles west from Edinburgh; is pleasantly situated on the water of Leith; the garden and policy in the highest order. The servant at the house, will show the house.

For further particulars, enquire of Captain Inglis the proprietor, at Auchindinny.

Sale of Feu-Duties and Houses,

Lauriestoη Street, Edinburgh.

TO be SOLD, by public voluntary roup, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 1st day of March next, between the hours of six and seven afternoon,

I. FEU-DUTIES, payable out of sundry tenements along Lauriestoη Street, amounting to 35 l. yearly.

II. That LODGING, being the second storey above the street of that new tenement lately erected by James Dun, presently possessed by Mr Alexander Colvill, supervisor of Excise, containing a parlour, dining room, three bed-chambers, kitchen with a closet, and a cellar fitted up with catacombs.

III. That LAIGH HOUSE in said Tenement, possessed by Mr Robertson, containing a shop, two rooms, a kitchen, cellar, &c.

IV. That other LAIGH HOUSE possessed by Andrew Grier, weaver, consisting of a shop, a room, a kitchen, and two closets, and a coal-cellar.

V. That HOUSE possessed by Mr Baird, consisting of a room and kitchen, two closets, and a coal-cellar. To which will be added, if purchasers incline, an unfurnished room, on the same floor.

Apply to Robert Renton, writer in Edinburgh, or James Dun, wright in Lauriestoη Street, the proprietor, who will show the premisses, and who will treat with any person for the whole, or any part, betwixt and the day of sale.

JUDICIAL SALE

Of LANDS in the Shire of DUMFRIES.

By Adjournment,—and Upset Prices reduced.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Parliament or New Session House of Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 22d day of February 1786, betwixt the hours of four and six afternoon,

The remaining LOTS of the LANDS and others, which belonged to JOHN GRAHAM of Corriehaw.

LOT II. The Lands of BURNHEAD, and teinds thereof, lying in the parish of Tundergarth, and shire of Dumfries.

The proven free rent, after all deductions, is 21 l. 2s. This lot was formerly set up at 600 l. but is now to be exposed at 500 l.

This farm, which is situated upon the water of Milk, consists of about 130 acres, all arable and meadow, and mostly inclosed. It is capable of great improvement, being in the neighbourhood of limestone quarries.

LOT III. A DECREET of ADJUDICATION, at the instance of the above John Graham, against John Carruthers of Bogside, adjudging the lands of Bogside, for payment of two accumulated sums, which amount, with interest at Candlemas 1785, to 467 l. 18s.

The former upset price of this lot was 120 l. but it is now to be 80 l.

The articles of sale and progress may be seen at the office of Mr Kirkpatrick, depute-clerk of session; and further information will be got, by applying to Mungo Dobie writer in Lockerby, factor upon the subjects.

JUDICIAL SALE

By Adjournment, and Upset Price farther Reduced.

TO be SOLD within the Parliament House, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 22d day of February 1786, betwixt the hours of five and seven o'clock afternoon,

The Lands of CATLINS and Pertinents,

lying in the parish of Dryfesdale and county of Dumfries.

These lands were formerly exposed to sale at the upset price of 1142 l. 15s. 10d. 4-12ths, being twenty three years purchase of the free proven rental, including the privilege of purchasing the teinds; but they are now to be exposed at the reduced upset price of 850 l, being nearly 300 l. below the original upset-price.

They hold feu of the Viscount of Stormont, for payment of 10 l. 7s. 6d. 4-12ths Sterling of yearly feu-duty; and are set in tack at 60 l. yearly. The tenant is besides obliged to lay 60 bushels of lime upon the lands every year, during the currency of his lease, which expires at Whitsunday 1789.

The articles of roup and title-deeds are to be seen in the office of Mr Alex. Stevenson, depute-clerk of session; and persons wanting further information may apply to Alexander Young writer in Edinburgh, agent in the sale, John Aitken junior, writer in Dumfries the factor, or Mungo Dobie writer in Lockerbie.

Judicial Sale of Lands and Superiorities

In the Sheriffwartry of Kirkcudbright,

By Adjournment, and Upset Prices reduced.

TO be SOLD within the Parliament or New Session-house of Edinburgh, upon Friday the 3d day of March next, betwixt the hours of four and six afternoon,

The LANDS and SUPERIORITIES after mentioned, which belonged to JOHN COLTART of AREEMING, being all parts of the barony of Kirkpatrick-Durham.

LOT I. The Lands of Nether Knockwalloch, Upper and Nether Culfad, and Miln of Lochpatrick.

The proven free rent is L. 107 18 7 6-12ths

This lot was formerly set up at 2482 l.

8s. 4d. being 23 years purchase of the free rent, but it is now to be set up at - - - L. 2300 0 0

These lands are held of the Crown, and afford a qualification in the county upon the old extent.

LOT II. The Superiority of the Lands of Auchinhay, Boghall, Moss-side, Kirkmeadow, Barmoffatie, Minidow, Cullshangan, and Knockwalloch.

The yearly feu-duties payable from these lands are - - - - L. 2 3 3

The upset price of this lot was formerly 214 l. and is now to be set up at - - L. 180 0 0

LOT III. The Superiority of the Lands of Nielson's Kirkland, Turner's Kirkland, Upper Mackartney, and teinds thereof, Bardarroch, Corse, Barbain, Over Barr, Nether Barr, Holehouse, and Sourhill.

The yearly feu-duties payable therefrom, are L. 1 15 5 11-12ths

The former upset price of this lot was 259 l. but it is now to be set up at L. 230 0 0

LOT IV. The Superiority of the Lands of Kirklebride, Areeming, Upper and Nether Drumhumphreys, Tarbreach, and Garmartine.

The yearly feu-duties payable thereupon, are L. 1 6 8 11-12ths

The former upset price was 229 l. but is now to be L. 200 0 0

These three last lots afford each a qualification in the county upon the valued rent; but the purchasers must satisfy themselves as to that, and likewise as to the qualification on the old extent of Lot I.

LOT V. The Superiority of the Lands of Nether Mackartney, and teinds thereof.

The yearly feu and teind-duty payable therefrom is L. 1 4 9 4-12ths

The former upset price of this lot was 68 l. but it is now to be L. 55 0 0

The Lands of Nether Machartney are valued at 134 l. Scots.

These four last lots will be exposed either separately as above, or in one lot, at 665 l. as offerers shall incline.

The titles and articles of roup, may be seen at the office of Mr Kirkpatrick, depute-clerk of Session; and further information will be got by applying to John Thomson, writer in Kirkcudbright, factor upon the subjects.

TO BE SET OR SOLD,

A BREWERY, with a complete set

of Brewery Utensils, lying in the burgh of Dunbar.

There is a large water cistern, with a stop-cock, within the Brewery, which abundantly supplies the work with excellent water; and, besides the brewery, there is a storehouse, a large malt-loft and cellar below the same, with a stable, and stalls for three horses.

The subjects may be entered to immediately, or at Whitsunday next; and persons intending to treat for them, will please apply to Thomas Robertson the proprietor, at Gleghorny, near North Berwick.

Sale of Lands in Dumfries-shire.

UPSET PRICES REDUCED.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Tuesday the 7th day of March 1786, between the hours of six and seven afternoon, the following parts of the Estate of MAXWELTON, belonging to Sir Robert Laurie of Maxwelton, Baronet, in the Lots after mentioned:

LOT I. The two-merk land of Castlefairn, consisting of upwards of 493 acres, whereof 112 acres are arable land, 20 acres meadow, and the remainder excellent pasture. These lands are under lease current till Whitsunday 1793; the yearly rent of them, including casualties and services, is 141 l. 9s. 2d. Sterling. They are held of a subject superior, for payment of a trifling feu-duty.

LOT II. The two-merk land of Neiss, and merk-land of Ballinnie, consisting of upwards of 447 acres, whereof about 44 acres are arable, and 19 acres meadow; the remainder is mostly sheep pasture. These lands were rented, prior to Whitsunday 1783, at 49 l. 3s. 10d. but were set at that term, upon a three years lease, for the yearly rent of 30 l. They are held of a subject superior, for payment of a small feu duty. There is wood upon the lands, estimated to be worth at present about a year's rent, beside the stool.

LOT III. The lands of Gordieston or Gordonston, consisting of about 182 acres, whereof 32 acres are arable and meadow-grounds, and about 3 acres wood land of considerable value. The lease of these lands is current to Whitsunday 1799, and the yearly rent of them, including converted services, is 39 l. 7s. They are held blench of the Crown.

LOT IV. The two-merk land of Craigenvey, and one-merk land of Blackmerk, consisting of about 830 acres, whereof upwards of 46 acres is arable or meadow ground. The rent of these lands, including converted casualties, is 42 l. 15s. 10d. and the tenant besides pays all public burdens. They are held of a subject superior, for payment of a trifling feu-duty.

LOT V. The three and a half-merk lands of Gillygappoch, and mill thereof; the one half of the two and a half-merk lands of Dunreggan, of old extent; and the half of the forty-shilling Templands of Ingleston in Glencairn.—These lands compose the farms now called Hill and Burnfoot, and the mill and mill-lands of Gillygappoch.

The farm of Hill consists of about 170 acres, whereof upwards of 83 acres is arable and meadow ground. The lease of this farm is current till Whitsunday 1793, and the yearly rent is 46 l. 19s. 4d.

The farm of Burnfoot contains upwards of 145 acres, whereof about 45 acres are arable or meadow ground. The former rent of this farm was 42 l. It lies contiguous to the farm of Hill, and is at present possessed by the tenant of that farm from year to year, without any lease, at a rent of 26 l.

The mill and mill-lands of Gillygappoch are likewise possessed from year to year, without any lease. The present rent, including converted casualties, is 18 l. 15s. The mill-lands consist of between four and five acres.

The arable lands contained in this lot are very valuable, and the pasture and meadow grounds remarkably good; and there is some wood upon this lot.

The three and a half-merk lands of Gillygappoch, and mill thereof, are held of a subject superior, for payment of a small feu-duty. The other lands in this lot are holden of the Crown.

LOT VI. The lands of Auchenstroan and Stransalloch, consisting of about 790 acres, mostly sheep pasture, but containing about 34 acres of arable and meadow grounds. The present rent is 65 l. 3s. 9d. There is some wood upon these lands. They are held of a subject superior for payment of a small feu duty.

LOT VII. The two and a half-merk lands of Craiglyrian, consisting of about 790 acres, whereof upwards of 17 acres are arable, and 8 acres meadow grounds.

The lands of Meikle and Little Laggans, and consisting of about 284 acres, whereof 69 acres are arable, and 9 acres meadow ground. The remainder is very good cattle pasture, and there is some wood upon these lands.

The lands of Craiglyrian and Laggans are set together, under a lease current till Whitsunday 1797. The yearly rent of them is 121 l. 18s. Sterling. They are held of subjects superior, for payment of trifling feu-duties.

LOT VIII. The two merk and half-merk lands of Drumloff, containing upwards of 252 acres, whereof 30 acres are arable, and nearly 7 acres meadow-ground. The remainder sheep-pasture. The lease of this farm is current till Whitsunday 1787. The present rent, including converted services and casualties, is 36 l. 11s. and the lands are held of a subject superior, for payment of a small feu-duty.

LOT IX. The two and a half-merk land of Little Dibbons and Martour, and two merk lands of Meikle Dibbons, consisting of 1180 acres, partly arable and meadow grounds, and the remainder pasture. These lands are let for four years from Whitsunday 1782, at the yearly rent of 55 l. the former rent was higher. They are held of a subject superior for payment of a small feu-duty.

LOT X. The lands of Breckonside, consisting of about 253 acres, whereof upwards of 74 acres are arable, and nearly 4 acres are meadow grounds. These lands are under a lease which expires at Whitsunday 1789. The rent, including converted services and casualties, is 38 l. 14s. 6d. They are holden blench of the Crown.

LOT XI. The lands of Fleughlarg, consisting of 238 acres and upwards, whereof about 71 acres are arable, and 3 acres meadow ground. These lands are under a lease current for four years from Whitsunday 1782. The present rent is 38 l. They are held of a subject superior for payment of a trifling feu-duty.

LOT XII. The fifty-shilling land of Peilston, consisting of upwards of 330 acres, whereof 76 acres are arable, and 10 acres meadow ground, and the remainder good pasture. This farm is under lease for four years from Whitsunday 1782. The present rent is 54 l. 10s. sterling, and there is some wood upon it. The lands are held of a subject superior, for payment of a small feu-duty.

N. B. The lands of Peilston will either be sold by themselves separately, or along with the lands contained in lot 5th, as may be agreed on.

All the above lands lie in the parish of Glencairn, and shire of Dumfries, except the lands of Graigenvey and Blackmerk in lot 4th, which lie in the parish of Dunscore, in the same shire. The lands in general are well inclosed, and some of them subdivided. The estate of Maxwelton is valued *in cumulo*; so the valuation of the different lots above mentioned cannot at present be mentioned with certainty; but a scheme dividing the valuations is made up, upon principles which, it is thought, will be approved of.

The teinds of the whole lands above mentioned are valued, and will be sold along with the lands, excepting only the teinds of the lands in lot 4th, lying in the parish of Dunscore, which were valued so far back as the year 1634, and are exhausted, or nearly so, by the stipend paid to the minister.

The rental of the lands is in the hands of Commissary Goldie at Dumfries. A copy of it, with the current leases, and the plans and measurements of the lands, together with the title-deeds, which are perfectly clear, and the articles of sale, are in the hands of William Campbell writer to the signet, to whom any person inclining to purchase at the roup, or wishing to make a private bargain, may apply for further particulars. The tenants will show the lands.

LANDS IN AYRSHIRE.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary sale, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Thursday the 2d day of March 1786, at six o'clock in the evening,

The LANDS and ESTATE of SMEITHSTON and others, lying in the parish of Tarbolton and shire of Ayr. The gross rent paid out of the estate at present is 373 l. 16s. 6d. 6-12ths Sterling, out of which there is paid to the minister of Tarbolton, who obtained decreet of augmentation 2d July 1783, in all 22 l. 13s. 7½d. Sterling, 10 bolls 2 firlots bear, and 4 bolls 1 firlot meal; but as two of the principal farms are let in grass for three years, with an allowance to plough only a few acres, the rent of these farms may be considerably raised in letting leases for a longer term. The estate contains about 900 acres Scots measure, including about 92 acres of wood, which may be cut in the course of ten years; and there is a good garden, well stocked with nursery and young trees for planting, and a house possessed by the gardener, none of which are included in the rental. The estate lies between the thriving villages of Mauchline and Tarbolton, and within a few miles of the towns of Ayr and Kilmarnock, to all of which there are good roads. The situation of the estate is pleasant, part of it being bounded by the water of Ayr. It is at no great distance from coal and limestone, which can be brought at a small expence, as the great road from Cumnock to Ayr by Mauchline goes through part of the estate. The lands are holden blench of the Prince, and entitle the proprietor to two freehold qualifications. The tenants pay one half of the cess or land tax; the other half thereof, and the minister's stipend, are paid by the proprietor.

John Pollock at Woodside will shew the grounds.

For further particulars, apply to John Russell, clerk to the signet, Edinburgh, who has the title-deeds and articles of sale.

N. B. Upon application to the said John Russell in Edinburgh, or to John Blake, Esq; in Essex-street, London, or to Joseph Sparks, or Edward Shewell, Esqrs. at No. 118, Bishopsgate-street-within, London, a private bargain for the sale of the said lands may be made.

Lands in the County of Berwick.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 8th day March next, betwixt the hours of four and six afternoon, in the following Lots.

LOT I.

All and Whole the Town and Lands of STONERIGG, lying in the parish of Eccles, earldom of March, and county of Berwick, consisting of about 220 Acres of valuable land, all inclosed and subdivided with hedge and ditch.—The lands were properly laid down to grass about twelve years ago, have continued in pasture ever since, except about sixteen acres which were taken up last winter; and the whole may be entered to by the purchaser immediately.

The lands of Stonerigg are pleasantly situated about seven miles from Dunse, six from Coldstream, eight from Kelso, and sixteen from Berwick upon Tweed; and are bounded on the west by the great turnpike road leading from Newcastle to Edinburgh, by Cornhill and Greenlaw, which gives them easy access to lime and coal. There is an exceeding good mansion-house, with proper offices upon the estate, upwards of 600 l. having been lately expended in putting them in thorough repair. The mansion-house commands a beautiful prospect, and is situated in an agreeable neighbourhood.—There are several thriving plantations upon the grounds; and a considerable quantity of the timber is of a good age.

LOT II.

All and Whole the Lands of WHITCHESTER, RIGGFOOT, and KIDCLEUGH, lying in the parishes of Longformacus and Dunse, in the county of Berwick aforesaid, consisting of about 1000 acres of good arable, meadow, and pasture ground.

These lands lie about four miles from the market town of Dunse, are now let to substantial tenants, at the yearly rent of 160 l. Sterling, for twenty years from Whitsunday next; and the tenants pay minister's stipend, and all other public burdens, except land-tax.

Part of the price may remain in the purchaser's hands.

Robert Glendinning will show the lands at Stonerigg, and the tenants those of Whitchester, &c.

For further particulars apply to Thomas Cockburn, writer to the signet, Edinburgh; James Turnbull, attorney at law in Berwick upon Tweed; or Adam Watson writer in Dunse.

SALE of LANDS and FEU-DUTIES,

In the Counties of Edinburgh and Roxburgh.

TO BE SOLD,

THE LANDS and BARONY of NEWTON, lying in the parish of Bedrule.

This estate is pleasantly situated upon the banks of the river Teviot within a few miles of Jedburgh, Kelso, and Hawick, all good market towns. The great road from Berwick to Carlisle runs through it. The soil is remarkably good and very improveable; and there is limestone in the grounds, and plenty of marl in the neighbourhood.

This estate contains about 740 acres, Scotch measure; holds blench of the Crown; stands valued in the cess-books of the county at 853 l.; and there is upon it a great number of fine old trees of considerable value, some natural wood, delightful situations for a mansion-house, and good quarries at a very little distance.

The Lands of MUIRHOUSE-LAW, lying in the parish of Maxtown.

These lands, which contain upwards of 660 Scotch acres, hold feu of the Crown, and are valued in the cess-books of the county at 733 l. 6s. 8d.; are situated upon the great road from Edinburgh to Newcastle by Jedburgh, which runs along the west side of them; and are within a few miles of Jedburgh, Kelso, Hawick, and Melrose. They are very improveable, and in the neighbourhood of plenty of marl.

The Lands of HOISLAW-HILL, FALSIDE, and PLACE-GRADEN, lying in the parish of Linton.

This estate lies within a few miles of Kelso, upon the west side of the great road from Edinburgh to Newcastle by Kelso; contains 800 acres, Scotch measure or thereby; holds blench of the Marquis of Lothian; and is valued in the cess-books of the county at 586 l. 13s. 4d. The soil is good and very improveable, and there is plenty of coal and lime in the neighbourhood.

The Lands of NETHER CHATTO and EDLESCLEUGH, lying in the parish of Hownam.

These lands contain 970 Scotch acres or thereby, all excellent sheep ground; hold blench of the Crown, and stand valued in the cess-books of the county at 114 l. 12s.

The Lands of LONGLEE and GILLIESTONGUES, lying within the parish of Jedburgh.

This farm holds feu of the family of Douglas, consists of about 400 acres Scotch measure; is situated upon the water of Jed, within two miles of Jedburgh; the great road from Edinburgh to Newcastle by Jedburgh runs through it; the soil is very good both for tillage and pasture; and there is upon it some fine old trees, and thriving natural wood of considerable value.

The Lands of LAVOROCKHALL or LARKHALL, lying in the immediate vicinage of Jedburgh; with sundry acres to a considerable extent in the fields of Jedburgh, all holding of the Marquis of Lothian.

N. B. The whole of the above lands lie in the county of Roxburgh.

AND

The SUPERIORITY of certain parts of the Lands of Pittendreich or Pendreich, lying in the parish of Lasswade and county of Edinburgh, with the Feu-duties payable furth thereof, amounting to 60 l. 1s. 8d. Sterling in money, 46 bolls of wheat, and 46 bolls of barley.

The progress of writs, plans, and measurements of the grounds, with the rentals, and current leases, are to be seen in the hands of Patrick Kerr writer to the signet, to whom application may be made for further information. The present tenants and baron officers will show the grounds.

SALE OF HOUSES.

To be Sold by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, upon Thursday the 23d day of February current, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon,

A TENEMENT of LAND lying on the west side and about the middle of Bell's Wynd, possessed by Mr Mathieson and others.

A TENEMENT in Roxburgh's Close, possessed by Mr Tweedie and others.

A HOUSE in James's Court, easter entry, possessed by Mr Cameron writer.

A LODGING in the foot of Warriston's Close, being the upper story, and flat within the same, consisting of six rooms, kitchen, cellar, and other conveniencies.

The rental, progress of writs, and articles of sale, to be seen in the hands of Francis Strachan, writer to the signet.

Furnished Country Seat.

To be LET Furnished, for one or two years, from Whitsunday next,

THE HOUSE of ERSKINE, with the Office-house, gardens, and pleasure ground. The House is fit for the reception of any gentleman's family, and is delightfully situated upon the river Clyde, twelve miles below Glasgow.—The gardens are stocked with fruit-trees of the best kinds.—The turnpike-road betwixt Glasgow and Greenock passes within half a mile of the house.

A tenant may be supplied with whatever grass fields may be wanted.

The premisses will be shewn by Mr James Dickson, at Erskine-house. And from him or Mr Erskine, clerk to the signet, Edinburgh, further particulars may be got.

ARCHERS HALL.

TO be LET for one or more years, and entered to immediately, or at Whitsunday next,

The Tavern or Long-room called ARCHER's HALL, with the Bowling-Green and Garden-ground adjoining, all completely inclosed.

The Long-room, which is fit to accommodate a numerous company, is already furnished at the expence of the proprietary, and has, for some years past, been much used as an Assembly Room, being greatly superior to any thing of the kind in any tavern in Edinburgh or the neighbourhood. The kitchen is also completely furnished with grates, stoves, Carron tables, and every thing of that kind usually wanted.

The premises are situated in a populous and genteel neighbourhood, on the south of the city of Edinburgh, adjoining to George's Square, and immediately on the side of the great post roads from England, which, by the new Bridge on the south now carrying on, must, in a little time, render that road by much the easiest and best access to all parts of the city.

The *Royal Company of Archers*, who are the proprietors, besides many occasional meetings, hold their constant weekly meetings there, during the spring, summer, and harvest, are disposed to give every encouragement to a tenant, by building stables and other conveniencies as shall be agreed upon, so as to render it a place of general resort for the best company, and which, under the conduct of a person qualified to manage a tavern in a genteel taste, there is every reason to hope it will soon be; and it is with such only that they will to enter upon terms.

For particulars apply to James Hardie, writer, Semple's Close, Edinburgh.

Sale of Lands near Hamilton.

By Authority of the Trustees for Captain Robertson's Creditors.

THERE will be SOLD by public roup, within the house of Mr Clark, vintner in Hamilton, upon Friday the 3d of March 1786, betwixt the hours of twelve mid-day and two in the afternoon,

The Lands and Estates of EARNOCK and LITTLE EARNOCK, lying in the parish of Hamilton and shire of Lanark. These lands consist of 504½ acres Scots measure, and amount in free rent to 398 l. 7s. 5d. 4-12ths Sterling yearly, valuing the lands moderately that are in the proprietor's natural possession; and when the present leases expire, some of the lands will rise considerably.

These lands are most delightfully situated about a mile to the south-west of Hamilton. The grounds are all completely inclosed, and divided into convenient inclosures, well sheltered with plantations, which are all in a thriving condition, some of them very valuable, and the grounds are all in excellent heart and condition.

Upon the lands of Earnock there is a large commodious mansion-house, with good office-houses of all kinds; and upon the lands of Little Earnock there is likewise a good commodious dwelling-house of a smaller size, covered with blue slate; and in the above rental there is no value put upon the said mansion-houses and office-houses, nor upon the woods and plantations upon the said lands.

The premisses are held of his Grace the Duke of Hamilton for payment of 21 l. 4s. 5d. 4-12ths Sterling, of feu-duty yearly. The upset price to be 9500 l.

These lands will be sold jointly or in lots; and for further particulars application may be made to Captain James Roberton, the proprietor, at Earnock, or to Samuel Mitchelson junior, clerk to the signet, Edinburgh.—If the lands are not sold, several fields thereof will be let for one year's plowing, by public roup, on Saturday the 4th of March, upon the ground.

SALE of LANDS in ARGYLE-SHIRE.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 1st day of March next, between five and six o'clock afternoon,

The extensive estates of DUNTROON, on Lochcrinan, and of OIB, on Lochsween; lying about 25 miles south-west of Inverary, in the parishes of Kilmartine and North Knapdale, and shire of Argyle. The present free rent is upwards of 900 l. Sterling, and still improveable; of which that of Oib is better than 200 l. Sterling, and will be exposed separately in Lots, or together, as formerly advertised.

The tenants are thriving, the situation of the estate pleasant and convenient, the communication easy, the soil excellent, and the woods extensive and flourishing.

There is a commodious mansion-house with offices, pleasantly situated upon Locherinan, whence the Canal (an object now under the view of the Legislature) is intended to be executed across Lochgilphead. The estate of Oib has also an excellent situation for a place of residence. A more complete and desirable property rarely appears in the market.

For further particulars enquire at John Moir writer to the signet, Edinburgh, who will show the rentals, plans, surveys, and title-deeds of the estates; at Duncan Campbell writer, Inverary, or Mr Alexander Ross, accomptant in Edinburgh; who will treat as to a private bargain. John Campbell, schoolmaster at Duntroon, will show that estate; and John Campbell at Tayloch, the estate of Oib.

Third Notice—Second Term.

IN the Process of RANKING and SALE, at the instance of Mr John Hay, accountant in Edinburgh, with concourse of his Majesty's Advocate, for his Majesty's interest, AGAINST Messrs. Robert and Peter Colviles, elder and younger of Ochiltree, and all and sundry the creditors of the said Messrs. Robert and Peter Colviles, the Lord Stonefield Ordinary, by interlocutor of date the 31st January last, assigned the 15th of February 1786, for the haill creditors to produce all their claims, rights, and diligences, competent to them respectively, against the bankrupts or their estate, and to depone on the verity thereof, and that for the Second Term; with certification as in a reduction and improbation; and appointed intimation thereof to be made in the Edinburgh Evening Courant and Caledonian Mercury, for three weeks successively, to the end it may come to the knowledge of all parties concerned.

R. C. DUNBAR, Clerk.

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